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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:**Claim 9 (Amended):**

The polypeptide of claim 8, further comprising a carrier, pharmaceutical carrier, or adjuvant.